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Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is the following:

- (1) Transmittal Letter;
- (2) Information Disclosure Statement;
- (3) Form PTO-1449 citing seven (7) references.

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Sir:

Pursuant to Applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56 and 1.97-1.99, the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are being brought to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application. No fee is required for this submission because it is submitted before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits.

Copies of the documents are not attached because they were previously provided in the parent case, Serial No. 09/587,971, filed June 6, 2000. The Examiner is respectfully requested to cite the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 in the next Office Action. In so doing, the Examiner is respectfully requested to initial in the space adjacent to the listing of each document on the Form PTO-1449, and return a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449 with the next communication to Applicants, to confirm that these

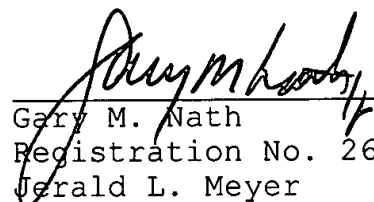
documents have been considered by the Examiner and made of record in this application.

If the Examiner has any questions or wishes to discuss this application, kindly telephone the undersigned at the below-listed number.

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